

CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, LOS ANGELES
Office of the Vice President for Student Affairs

ACADEMIC SENATE, STUDENT POLICY COMMITTEE

April 23, 2009, 1:30 - 3:10 p.m., SA 110

MINUTES

Present: K. Foster, M. Javeri, J. Kennedy, K. Mew, A. Ross, R. Salinas, V. Talavera-Bustillos, M. Zepeda

Absent: N. Nourmohammadi, J. Orta, L. Williams

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by V. Talavera-Bustillos, Vice Chair, at 1:43 p.m.

2. Announcements

A. Ross announced that the Career Fair will be held on April 28, 2009.

3. Approval of the Minutes of April 9, 2008 (SPC 08-07)

M/S/P approved with minor edits.

4. Approval of the Agenda

M/S/P approval of agenda.

5. Intent to Raise Questions

None.

6. Liaison Reports

6.1 Executive Committee Liaison

M. Zepeda stated that the Freedom of Expression document was returned unsigned by President Rosser. A. Ross distributed the Policy on Time, Place, and Manner of Free Expression memo dated April 15, 2009 from President Rosser to Kevin Baaske, Chair of the Academic Senate. The memo clarified that the President has approved the implementation of the Policy on Time, Place, and Manner of Free Expression as an administrative policy and procedure.

M. Zepeda further reported that the Executive Committee will be forwarding a proposed policy by J. Faust on grade grievance appeals. Due to an audit finding, the University was mandated to create an interim policy. The Student Policy Committee will have an opportunity to provide input at some point.

The Executive Committee had a time certain with Jennifer Chemel, ASI President, Beville Constantine, ASI Vice President for Academic Governance, along with Intef Weser, ASI General Manager, regarding the election of student senators by ASI. Currently, ASI appoints student senators. The Executive Committee feels that ASI should make an effort to elect senators even though elections are currently taking place within a week or so. There is discussion that special elections take place in the Fall. The faculty constitution calls for elected student senators. ASI representatives will continue to discuss this issue.

The Executive Committee is providing insight to the Provost regarding the composition of the Steering Committee to study conversion to semester.

6.2 Associated students, Inc. (ASI)

None.

6.3 Academic Advisement Subcommittee

R. Salinas reported on the progress of the Academic Advisement Subcommittee on a memo on academic road maps with recommendations to keep road maps current, both hard copies and on-line versions. It will also request that departments create new 2, 4 and 6 year maps which will be forwarded to EPC. The Subcommittee would also like to see more general education courses and their availability and the specific path to graduation.

The other memo that will be forwarded to EPC is the memo on guidelines for academic advisement for general education.

7. Business

7.1 Task Force Report on Student Evaluations of Teaching

Not discussed due to lack of time.

7.2 Evaluation of Transfer Student Credit

Reviewed and discussed.

7.3 Facebook Demonstration – M. Javeri/Iman R.

M. Javeri and her graduate student Iman R. demonstrated the website Facebook which students and faculty have been using more and more as a means of communication.

7.4 Verification of G.E. Articulation

Reviewed and discussed.

7.5 Conversion to Semester Discussion

Not discussed due to lack of time.

8. Adjournment

M/S/P to adjourn 3:01pm